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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 8-20 without prejudice.

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21. (Previously Presented) A method of reducing light from at least one emitter which reaches a detector without non-reflectively passing through a medium, the method comprising:

providing a disposable tape adapted to position at least one emitter and a detector on opposite sides of a measurement site such that light from the at least one emitter is transmitted through the measurement site to the detector; and

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including a light piping barrier with the disposable tape adapted to reduce the light from the at least one emitter which reaches the detector without first being transmitted through the measurement site.

22. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 21, wherein ~~the step of~~ adding the light piping barrier comprises forming the light piping barrier from the disposable tape.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 21, wherein the light piping barrier comprises an opaque material.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 21, further comprising receiving the detector in a cavity of the light piping barrier.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 24, wherein the cavity is rectangular.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 21, further comprising covering one of the at least one emitter and the detector with the light piping barrier.